Section 1: *Rephrasing*

Unit 1 · *p. 5*

1.1

a. I'm so excited. I haven't been / have never been to London before.
b. I haven't spoken to my friend Larry for two months.
c. They have been playing for three hours.
d. Jeff and his band have been working on a new song since last June.
e. Our English class has just started.
f. Daddy and his friend Luke have known each other since high school. / Daddy and his friend Luke have been friends since high school.

English Plus

a. It seems like watching this film was a waste of time **for us**.
b. My brother's bedroom is always messy. Mine is far tidier than **his**.
c. I think I've brought the wrong bag home as these trainers **are not (aren't) mine**.
d. Someone left this iPad in the classroom. Is it **yours**?
e. You should do your homework **all by yourself**.

1.2

a. Judy is the kindest person I have ever met.
b. His sister is more irresponsible than him / he is.
c. The less chocolate I eat, the better my skin gets.
d. This is the farthest / furthest we have been from home.
e. Isn't Pete getting more and more impatient each day?

1.3A · *p. 6*

a. Our teacher always goes the extra mile to make us understand verb tenses.
b. The tribute to Queen was beyond my wildest dreams.
c. I know George will move heaven and earth to raise enough money for the project.
d. His parents must be living the dream as they won the lottery last month.
e. The medication the doctor prescribed for my allergy worked like a dream.
f. Molly is an eager beaver!

1.3B

a. We didn't leave the conference until we had asked the speaker for an autograph.
b. Mike only bought a new computer after he had sold the old one.
c. They were all wet as they had been walking in the rain all morning.
d. By the time Sarah's mother arrived home, Sarah had finished her history project.
e. He was really upset because he hadn't been able to convince his friends to join his project.
f. We went to India to visit Garima after we had met her.

English Plus

a. I wish I had told my parents about going to Rita's.
b. If only he hadn't had classes the whole morning (, he could have entered the competition).
c. Charles wishes Katrina would pay more attention to him.
d. If only I didn't have so much to study (, I could meet my friends at the shopping centre).

1A · *p. 7*

a. Reading a book is better than reading a newspaper.
b. We haven't been to the cinema for ages.
c. They have created this blog all by themselves.
d. I decided what project to work on because I had done some research.
e. If only she had finished the race. / If only she had been able to finish the race, she wouldn't feel disappointed.
f. That's the funniest story I've ever heard.
g. My trip to Africa was beyond my wildest dreams.
h. Taylor has been singing since she was 9 years old. / Taylor has been singing since the age of 9.
i. They only announced the winner after they had analysed every project.
j. The more friends we have, the happier we are.

1B

a. I was impressed with how Ethan went the extra mile to have me on his team.
b. Giving back to our community is the best feeling in the world.
c. Jill was exhausted as she had studied the whole afternoon / she had been studying the whole afternoon.
d. I wish I had woken up early (, so I wouldn't have missed my favourite class in the morning) / I wish I hadn't woken up so late.
e. This laptop is certainly not mine.
f. Haven't you finished (working on) your English project yet?
g. Their songs are better now than they were in the past.
h. If only he hadn't lost her phone number (, he could have called her).

Unit 2 · *p. 8*

2.1

a. It's difficult to speak a language well if you don't practise it.
b. I've always dreamt of creating a conlanguage.
c. I decided to buy you this dictionary to help you with English.
d. A lot of my friends look forward to becoming multilingual after they finish school.
e. How about inviting Liu to our party although we don't know him very well?
f. Maria was used to having French lessons at the weekend when she lived in Nice.
g. I am really interested in creating a fictional language for a movie.
h. Some people avoid going abroad because they can't speak foreign languages.
i. We could ask some questions before the exam started.
j. Let's take part in this year's spelling bee competition.
k. I intend to download an app to help me improve my accent.

English Plus

a. My brother bought a new pair of earphones to listen to his favorite songs.
b. Can you please take the rubbish outside before meeting your friends at the theatre?

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c. This café has the best butter biscuits. Have we got any time to go in and buy some?
d. I like traveling to places like India and Pakistan as they're such colorful countries.
e. I can't go running with you as I didn't bring my sneakers.
f. She eats so much candy that one day her teeth will rot.
g. His family lives in a flat next to my grandparents'.

2.2A • p. 9

a. Don't mince your words and tell me exactly what you think about my accent.
b. John and Mary don't speak the same language when it comes to politics.
c. I was at a loss for words when I saw my favourite actress at the airport.
d. She asked him to repeat what he said because it was all Greek to her.

2.2B

a. You should find a native speaker to practise your English with.
b. Do you think we can learn Mandarin in one year?
c. Ann may not / might not know we are meeting at 6 o'clock to watch the new Avengers film.
d. We must leave now, or we won't get there in time for the opening scene!
e. I may / might visit you in Spain this summer.
f. You mustn't chew gum in class.
g. He could speak three languages when he was a child.
h. You should ask Klaus to help you with your German homework.

English Plus

a. Susy drives very carefully.
b. The teacher gave a quick explanation of how to use the gerund before the test.
c. Their English is very good, isn't it?
d. We spoke very quietly not to disturb the other students.
e. I can easily understand my French neighbours.

2A • p. 10

a. You should check if your phone is disconnected before the exam.
b. I insist on helping you carry some of these heavy books.
c. Our teacher speaks to us in plain English.
d. Susan may / might / will probably not arrive on time for the presentation.
e. Make sure you ask the teacher very politely to leave earlier.
f. This can't be the latest episode.
g. It's hard to learn another language after our childhood.
h. Samantha is a fast learner of foreign languages / fast foreign language learner.

2B

a. The students behaved very badly during the conference.
b. I refuse to watch his films anymore. They're too violent.
c. Our German teacher speaks very loudly, don't you think so?
d. We don't always speak the same language although we get along well.
e. I wonder why Jason is speaking so softly / quietly.
f. It's not easy to picture a world with a different global language other than English.
g. It goes without saying that I will always help you with your English homework.
h. I am at a loss for words as I've just won a ticket to participate on Ellen's show.
i. He can't be home now as I saw him leave earlier with his friend Michael.
j. Do you mind helping me with this text? I can't seem to get my head around it!

Unit 3 • p. 11

3.1

a. If reality shows didn't show the everyday lives of celebrities, they wouldn't be so popular.
b. If a TV programme has bad reviews, it is always cancelled.
c. If the new host on the Late Night Show on Channel 4 wasn't very funny, I wouldn't watch it.
d. If he hadn't arrived late at the museum, he wouldn't have missed the scoop.
e. If I didn't listen to the news, I wouldn't get upset.
f. If she hadn't been involved in a scandal, she wouldn't have been on the cover of Life magazine.

English Plus

a. There are only a few reliable newspapers these days.
b. I didn't have any time to listen to the news yesterday.
c. Would you like some help with your news report?
d. Teens watch (very) little TV nowadays. They go online instead.
e. Give me a few minutes and I will answer all your questions.
f. This magazine has little information on internet safety.

3.2A

a. Technology can be very **harmful**.
b. I find it **unacceptable** to be manipulated on social media by brands.
c. Lady Gaga made her first **appearance** at the GRAMMYs in 2009.
d. It's completely **illegal** to share someone's private data online without their consent.
e. It's **unbelievable** that I'm spending a day with my favourite influencer.

3.2B • p. 12

a. Despite telling / having told the truth, the journalist didn't convince the public.
b. Kevin launched a social media charity campaign although he's / he was only 14.
c. In spite of having thousands of followers on Instagram, she's still unhappy.
d. Although Hanna has a lot of profiles, only one of them is real.
e. Using social media for good deeds is possible. However, some people never do so.
f. Despite knowing that I'm going to be bombarded with advertising, I can't avoid social networks.

3.3

a. Fake news is published on the Internet every day.
b. The police have been sent an email to inform them about the scam.
c. A famous CNN reporter was interviewed by my friend Edward.
d. Negative comments are often posted on people's profiles by bullies.
e. She was given an opportunity to work with the best anchor by the network.
f. Our social accounts are being accessed to obtain our private data.
g. I was asked to fill in a questionnaire on internet safety.

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English Plus

a. Tabloids remind me of fake news.
b. That sports magazine doesn't belong to me.
c. I insist on writing a letter to the editor as soon as possible.
d. The journalist was charged for reporting false facts.

3A • *p. 13*

a. I sometimes disagree with my parents' opinions.
b. I have been sent hundreds of fraudulent emails by a hacker.
c. If you listen to our podcast, you will find out the latest celebrity gossip.
d. When used properly, social media can boost your confidence.
e. In spite of not earning / having earned much as a reporter, he never abandoned his career.
f. Have you already decided on the picture for your profile?
g. The project can only be accomplished with everybody's cooperation.
h. The first handwritten newspaper was published in the 8th century by China.
i. According to the article, very few people watched live concerts in 2020.
j. If I hadn't done a top Media Communication course, I wouldn't have got / gotten a job at the BBC.

3B

a. In spite of helping to connect people, social media platforms can also be dangerous.
b. If children didn't see certain toys on TV, they wouldn't want them.
c. I had no time to read this new article about social media apps.
d. The journalist's profile can be seen on this social networking site.
e. Powerful companies are under investigation because of their advertising policy.
f. Print media has been used to spread news to the masses for centuries.
g. Some governments worry about the danger posed by cyberterrorism.
h. Although excellent journalism is produced every day, people still distrust the Media.

Unit 4 • *p. 14*

4.1A

a. A laser is an intense beam of light which is widely used in surgery. / A laser, which is an intense beam of light, is widely used in surgery.
b. Albert Einstein developed the theory of relativity, which is a pillar of modern physics.
c. Japanese scientists, who are technological innovators, created the first bullet train.
d. The students whose main goal is to win this year's tech fair are building a robot.
e. DER 01, which was created in 2003, was the first all-talking human-like robot. / DER 01, which was the first all-talking human-like robot, was created in 2003.
f. These are the scientists who/that study the principles and use of computers.
g. Isamu Akasaki, who won the Nobel Prize for Physics, invented the blue LED light. Isamu Akasaki, who invented the blue led light, won the Nobel Prize for Physics.
h. The Fujitsu team built an AI programme which / that provides data on athletes' performances.
i. Machine learning is a technique which allows computers to learn from experience.

4.1B

a. Due to the advances in medical technology, life expectancy is increasing.
b. Since most people feel that robots may be harmful to society, they don't like them.
c. Smart homes can be hacked; therefore, you mustn't use the same password on all devices.
d. As my old iPhone takes high-quality photos, I decided to keep it.
e. Owing to the discovery of the law of the photoelectric effect, Einstein won the Nobel Prize in 1921.
f. Thanks to Ted's ability to create amazing things out of nothing, he is sure to be a great inventor.
g. Joe is really interested in AI, so he is taking a course in machine learning.
h. Robots are assisting doctors; therefore, they have more time for their patients.
i. Owing to problems with their internet connection, they had to postpone the online meeting.

English Plus • *p. 15*

a. Not knowing how to use the 3D printer was very embarrassing for Susan.
b. The visit to the Kennedy Space Center was tiring (for me).
c. Most people may feel frightened by the prospect of a world run by robots.
d. Learning about the Challenger disaster was shocking (for me).
e. I feel overwhelmed by the thought of having to live on another planet in the future.

4.2

a. Our teacher told us that a student at Loughborough University had designed a robotic guide dog.
b. He claims that the internet gives us access to information in real time.
c. She asked me if / whether I knew the meaning of the word techlash.
d. Simon told his friends that his father had given him a new smartwatch the day before / the previous day.
e. He reminded me not to forget to bring my drone to school the day after / the following day.
f. She warned me that she couldn't go to the ICT seminar the week after / the following week.
g. Hugo admitted that he didn't know what a xenobot was.
h. The scientist asked the audience if artificial intelligence would lead to a reduction of the role played by humans.

English Plus

a. They are putting together a register of all the space shuttle missions.
b. Will self-driving cars bring down the number of accidents on the road?
c. I can't go to the Da Vinci exhibition because I have to look after my little brother.
d. We are all going through challenging times due to the Corona virus.

4.3A • *p. 16*

a. There's no need to reinvent the wheel creating a new humanoid. We already have Sophia!
b. Jack always blows a fuse when I say I want a robotic pet! He finds it outrageous!
c. We got our wires crossed the other day when we were talking about AI ethics.

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d. The very thought of having a robot around everyday makes me hit the panic button.
e. Luke and Mia are on the same wavelength about never hiring a robot instead of a human.

4.3B

a. Kim is used to working with new technical equipment.
b. When we were children, we didn't use to spend our time playing indoors.
c. Are we finally getting used to the idea of domestic robots?
d. Before Peter moved to Lisbon, we used to play VR games after school.
e. I can help you fly your drone because I am used to helping my brother with his.
f. In the past people used to fetch ice from rivers to keep their food fresh.

English Plus

a. We need a stable Internet connection so that we can upload the photos to our blog faster.
b. My brother lent me some money so that I can buy a new smartphone.
c. You should switch off your computer in order to save energy.
d. Our teacher took us to a techy exhibition in order to see cutting-edge gadgets.
e. Put all the drone pieces inside the box not to lose any.

4A • *p. 17*

a. My father was used to buying *Tech Advisor* to find out about the latest gadgets.
b. They had to put off the SpaceX rocket launch due to bad weather.
c. He said that robots would never be able to show emotions.
d. Jim, who was amazed by all the gadgets, asked a lot of questions.
e. The teacher ordered us not to take our masks off while visiting the museum.
f. I always blow a fuse when my brother uses my VR headset.
g. Patrick asked Sally if she could lend him her book about Da Vinci's work.
h. As the next robot exhibition will be held in Tokyo, I can't go to it.

4B

a. He said that they were learning about programming with their IT teacher.
b. Buzz Aldrin, who was one of the first men to walk on the moon, was born in 1930.
c. Since building a robot was a complex task, they invited their friends to help them.
d. We can easily put together this desk if we follow the instructions.
e. She asked me if / whether AI had developed a lot in my country.
f. My father and I don't speak the same language about what course I should take.
g. That is the boy whose house is full of voice-controlled devices.
h. We are used to seeing people with headphones in the street.
i. He asked me where he could find a store to buy some earbuds for his sister.
j. I'm going to jot down the inventor's name so that I can do some research on his work.

Section 2: *Writing*

Unit 1 • *p. 19*

1.1 Opinion paragraph

1. *Suggested answers:*
level of difficulty, teen challenges, responsibilities, peer pressure, schoolwork, generation gap, body image, time management

Step 1. What it's like to be a teen nowadays

2. *Suggested paragraph:*
Although being a teen can be the best time of our lives, it is also a period which involves dealing with many challenges. I personally defend that it's not easy to be a teen nowadays as we are pressured to do well at school. This means that it's certainly necessary to learn to balance personal life and schoolwork. The reason why I say this is that many of us teens have extra-curricular activities, such as playing sports or belonging to a club, which makes dealing with homework a challenging task at the best of times. In addition, I think that peer pressure takes a huge toll on us teens as well. What I'm trying to say is that we teens really feel the need to be accepted by friends. Therefore, we always want to look our best to cause a good impression. This is the reason why body image and the clothes we wear, for example, are such pressing issues for us. On the whole, I personally defend that being a teenager nowadays is not much different than it was in the past. The secret is to try to find a balance between our responsibilities and our passions.

1.2 Email • *p. 20*

3.

Hi Mike,
How are you? Thanks for your email. It's not easy to get good marks to go to university and parents can be a huge pressure, so I think that you should keep calm and start off by getting organised. You have to think about how you can do that.
One thing you can try is to manage your time a bit better. Why don't you make a study schedule that you can follow every day? Then, you can ask a friend to be your study partner and study together before the test. Finally, you can make study notes to help you revise for your tests. That is always useful!
Remember to stay calm and that I'm here for you.
Love,
Anna

4. *Suggested answer:*
Hi Anna,
A friend of mine has confided to me that he is going through some difficult challenges since classes have started. His grades are dropping, and his parents are constantly pressuring him to improve them. Well, since you have always managed your personal time and schoolwork so well, I was wondering if you could check and see whether these tips that I thought of will help him to overcome this. Would you do this for me?
First, I thought that I could tell him to make a study schedule. That always helps one get organised, doesn't it? Then, I thought that I could recommend finding a friend to be his study buddy so that they can study together. I think that it's easier to find the will to study with someone than it is to do so on your own. Next, I thought about recommending that he make some notes at home after each lesson so that he can use them to study for the test. I think that would be a good idea, what about you? Finally, I thought that he could write down any doubts he has on a piece of paper and

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then ask his teacher for help.
Thank you so much for your help. I definitely owe you a favour.
Big hug,
Mike

1.3 Opinion paragraph • p. 21

Step 1-2. Personal answer

2. *Suggested paragraph:*
Despite the outstanding improvements in basic infrastructures, nutrition, and education over the last few decades, it seems to me that many people still face an uncertain future in many parts of the world, especially in underdeveloped countries. This is the reason why the role of non-profit charity campaigns is so important. As I see it, these types of campaigns are very impactful because their aim is to improve the quality of life of the less privileged.
I'm convinced that UNICEF and many other non-profit organisations go the extra mile to bring about social change and really make a difference in people's lives around the world. Take the case of AMI as an example: it helps homeless and poor people find shelter, not to mention the food and medical supplies they provide them with. On the whole, I really believe that many lives would be much worse if it weren't for the aid that these organisations deliver. Generally speaking, it seems to me that we should be inspired by them and give our own personal contribution to make the world a better place.

Unit 2

2.2 Review • p. 22

2.
bland, cliched, distasteful, flawed, tiresome, predictable, second-rate, uninteresting

3. *Suggested answer:*
Many Marvel fans were anxiously awaiting the release of the latest Marvel production "Godzilla: King of the Monsters." Although it wasn't a total box office failure, it was very bland to say the least.
The general consensus among the critics is that the film has some amazing and genuinely outstanding battle scenes, but they're dragged down by a second-rate and predictable plot. Basically, it's boring and it spends far too long focusing on the excessive number of characters and their clichéd dialogues that are not of interest to anyone.
However, the length and pacing of the actual film are the biggest problem. In total, the film runs for over two hours during which the different characters always say the same thing over and over again, which is somewhat tiresome. One expects far more from a Marvel production!
So, if you're looking for sophisticated dialogue and a convincing plot, this film is anything but a worthwhile watch. To put it blandly, on a scale from zero to five, I give this film a two. Sorry to disappoint you, but "Godzilla: King of the Monsters" is a complete waste of time and money in my honest opinion!

Unit 3

3.2 For and against essay • p. 23

1. Personal answer

2.
Social media isn't a thing that most people are hooked on nowadays. It has become a way of life. Which / What teen / Who do you know that could spend a whole day without checking his / her / their social media pages and coming up to speed with what's happening in the real world? But is social media a dream come true, or does it have a dark(er) side? Read on to find out!

3. *Suggested essay:*
Social media is a thing that most people are hooked on nowadays. It has become a way of life. What teen do you know that could spend a whole day without checking his / her social media pages and coming up to speed with what's happening in the real world? But is social media a dream come true, or does it have a darker side?
On the one hand, millions of people spend their free time on social media to the point of it becoming a type of companion and way to fight loneliness for them. In reality, these platforms become a part of their lives where they get to "be" with friends and make new ones. For others, it's one of the easiest ways to achieve fame and popularity and jump into the spotlight. An additional advantage is that we can use these platforms to communicate with people on the other side of the world as things happen, without having to wait days for messages to be delivered and read.
However, there is a downside to social media. One of the disadvantages is that, since people generally spend far too much time on social media, numerous health, mental and social drawbacks have now appeared. Another negative aspect is the fact that it makes it literally impossible to keep a private life. A typical example of this is that rumours can be spread in a matter of seconds because of something one has posted. Lastly, there is the risk of online bullying and cyberstalking, which can take a huge toll on people's lives.
To conclude, I consider that social media has become a part and parcel of human life, but in spite of its drawbacks, the benefits of access to the world in real time far outweigh them.

3.3 For and against essay • p. 24

Step 1. The Media's prime mission is to inform society and not to make money!

2. *Suggested essay:*
The Media has multiple roles, but for the most part, they are often the first source of access to information for citizens. Therefore, their mission should be to always provide clear, accurate, fast and reliable information which is responsible, no matter what. However, unfortunately, this is often not the case as we well know.
On the one hand, the Media is an industry which is definitely profit or money driven. This could certainly be one of the many reasons why the Media sometimes prints biased information or even fake news that promotes the interests of large corporations or advertisers, which support them financially and make sure that they can operate every day. It is undeniable that some headlines are sure to sell newspapers or increase viewer ratings, which this industry is so dependent on.
On the other hand, the Media is the only tool that we citizens have to protect ourselves against fake news, government manipulation or propaganda, which often seeks to influence us and perhaps even control

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our minds and reactions. Therefore, the Media must play an informative, educational, moral and social role in society since we, the general public, always rely on it to help us form critical opinions.
All in all, it seems fair to state that the Media must not forget that its main goal has always been to cover the news as impartially as possible, without "fear or favour" and to treat readers and news sources fairly and impartially. Our role as consumers is to make sure that this happens and to keep the Media in check!

Unit 4

4.2 Opinion essay • p. 25

Step 1. *Suggested answer:*
scientific breakthroughs, power, helping humanity, making a profit, providing jobs, winning the Nobel Prize, fame, knowledge for the sake of knowledge, control

2. *Suggested essay:*
Nowadays, we take technological progress for granted. Scientists are constantly finding new ways to make our lives easier and easier. However, do we ever stop to think and ask ourselves: Is technology always morally responsible or is it often used to bring about more harm than good?
Needless to say, technology has certainly brought about many improvements in the quality of our lives. Just think of all the scientific breakthroughs that we have witnessed over the last few years. As a rule, they have greatly helped humanity find the cures for so many diseases and solve so many other global problems like having access to water and proper sanitation. In addition, lots of infrastructures like the Internet have been created as a result of technological breakthroughs, which leads many people to consider that our lives are now so much more comfortable than they were in the past.
However, not every cloud has a silver lining, and this is certainly the case of technological progress. Think of the atomic bomb that literally destroyed entire cities or global warming that has been caused by technological progress, to name just a few examples. Should technological progress not be controlled in order to avoid this?
Taking everything into account, I believe that, while technology has obviously improved our quality of life in many ways, we have also paid a high price for it. We see this in the reduction of meaningful human interactions that has resulted from us becoming more attached to our many gadgets and smart devices and less connected with the world around us.
All in all, I would defend that some control is necessary to guarantee that technological progress always aims to improve our quality of life and is used responsibly!

4.3 Opinion essay • p. 26

Step 1. Personal answer

2.
Taking all my previously mentioned arguments into account, I strongly defend that the only hope for our planet is my generation. We have the responsibility to fight for a better planet and the technology that we need to protect it. At the end of the day do we have another option?

3. *Suggested essay:*
Technology and science have the power to transform lives, to take humankind where no one has been before, bring about change and better the Earth, and why not, the entire galaxy too. This is where us young people, the most technologically integrated generation ever, can step in and do our bit to protect our planet. We definitely have the power to use technology to be and make the change that our planet so urgently needs, don't we?
I'm convinced that no single generation has ever had as much power as we do today. The reason why I say this is that, never before have young people been given such a strong voice and the opportunity to become actively engaged in global issues, such as the environment or the many social causes and challenges that we face around the world. Take the Canadian environmental activist Severn Susiki, for example, who was invited to give a speech at the Rio Earth Summit, or the Swedish teen Greta Thunberg, who has inspired millions of other young activists to stand up and pressure our leaders to fight for the current climate crisis.
In my view, we already have more than enough young and proactive leaders who are perfectly capable of inventing or improving existing technology to protect our planet without disrupting its natural balance. A good example is Boyan Slat, who built a device to clean-up floating plastic in the sea and rivers, or Raquel Redshirt, who put her scientific mind to good cause by creating an environmentally friendly solar oven for her local community. Now, all we need to do is to force our leaders to listen to them!
Taking all my previously mentioned arguments into account, I strongly defend that the only hope for our planet is my generation. We have the responsibility to fight for a better planet and create the cutting-edge technology that we so urgently need to protect it. At the end of the day, do we really have another option? The clock is ticking and the Earth is becoming more and more vulnerable as you read this...

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